

personnel, or other appropriate local personnel, to obtain information concerning existing conditions, and shall evaluate the information to determine whether an emergency condition exists.

6. Limitation on Time Period

The individuals enumerated in Subsections 1-4 may not grant emergency release time exceeding one normally scheduled work day per emergency unless authorized by the Governor.

7. Evacuation in Acute Emergencies

Nothing contained in this Order precludes the necessary, immediate evacuation of a facility by an individual in a supervisory capacity in the interest of personal safety.

D. Administration

1. Responsibility of Cabinet Secretaries and other State Agency Heads

The administration of this Order is the responsibility of the several cabinet secretaries and other heads of State agencies, except as set forth in Section C above.

2. Extreme Weather Conditions

If extreme weather conditions appear to cause dangerous traffic or highway conditions, agency heads shall contact the Secretary of Transportation or his designee for a determination of whether, in his or her judgment, there exists an emergency sufficient to warrant a declaration of an emergency condition and the granting of emergency release time to affected employees.

3. Fires and Physical Plant Failures

If a fire or a physical plant failure in the Baltimore or Annapolis State Office Building Complex appears to cause an emergency condition, agency heads shall contact the Secretary of General Services or his designee for a determination of whether, in his or her judgment, there exists an emergency sufficient to warrant a declaration of emergency condition and the granting of emergency release time to affected